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SUBJECT: CACM--GROWING CONCERN ABOUT COMMON MARKET

SUMMARY

THE SAN JOSE PRESS OF NOVEMBER 6 AND 7 HAS CARRIED A NUMBER OF STORIES EXPRESSING UNHAPPINESS WITH THE PROGRESS TOWARD CACM RESTRUCTURING. THESE WERE BASED PRINCIPALLY ON A STATEMENT MADE BY MINISTER KOGAN IN GUATEMALA REFERING TO WIDESPREAD CA APATHY TOWARDS THE CACM AND A POSSIBLE "BILATERAL TREATY" BETWEEN GUATEMALA AND SALVADOR. ACTION REQUESTED: CONSIDERABLE CONFUSION SURROUNDS THE QUESTION OF THE BILATERAL, ALLEGEDLY PROPOSED BY SALVADOR. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION AND COMMENTS ON "APATHY THEME" WHICH MIGHT BE PASSED ON TO KOGAN, SOLANO, AND OTHERS.

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1. SAN JOSE PRESS OF NOVEMBER 6 AND 7 HAS CARRIED A NUMBER OF ARTICLES BASED ON STATEMENTS BY MINISTER OF ECONOMY, INDUSTRY, AND COMMERCE KOGAN AND HIGH LEVEL COMMITTEE MEMBER RODOLFO SOLANO EXPRESSING DOUBTS ABOUT THE SERIOUSNESS OF OTHER CACM MEMBERS ON THE CACM RESTRUCTURING QUESTION. IN A RECENT SPEECH MADE IN GUATEMALA (WHICH APPARENTLY WAS ONLY REPORTED IN THE SAN JOSE PRESS) KOGAN REFERRED TO THE "GREAT DISUNITY THAT EXISTS IN CENTRAL AMERICA", AND IN REFERENCE TO THE RESTRUCTURING EFFORT SAID, "IT IS INEXPLICABLE HOW A THING SO OBVIOUS AS FRANK, SINCERE, AND AUTHENTIC CENTRAL AMERICAN INTEREST CONTINUES TO ENCOUNTER OBSTACLES". REPORTEDLY: KOGAN ALSO EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT SPECIAL BILATERAL TREATY WHICH EL SALVADOR AND GUATEMALA PLAN TO NEGOTIATE.

2. IN AN INTERVIEW WITH NACION SOLANO REFLECTED SIMILAR CONCERNS, WHICH HE SUGGESTED DERIVED MORE FROM POLITICAL THAN ECONOMIC FACTORS. SOLANO NOTED THAT THE MEETING OF THE HIGH LEVEL COMMITTEE

SCHEDULED FOR TEGUCIGALPA NOVEMBER 8 HAD BEEN CANCELLED, AND THAT RECENT MINISTERIAL CHANGES IN EL SALVADOR HAD GRAVE COMPLICATIONS FOR THE MARKET AS DID EL SALVADOR'S PURCHASE OF 25 ISRAELI AIRCRAFT. MOREOVER, HE SAID HE WAS DISAPPOINTED THAT SIECA HAS NOT ADOPTED MORE VIGOROUS ACTION ON THE SERIES OF OBSTACLES WHICH FACE THE CACM.

3. COMMENT: IN AN ALMOST COMPLETE REVERSAL FROM THE SITUATION PREVAILING ABOUT THIS TIME LAST YEAR, COSTA RICA SUDDENLY SEEMS TO FIND ITSELF OUT IN FRONT IN

INTEGRATION MOVEMENT--SO EXPRESSIONS OF FRUSTRATION ARE TO BE EXPECTED. WE READ THESE STATEMENTS MOSTLY AS ATTEMPTS TO JAR OTHER CENTRAL AMERICANS OUT OF THEIR SUPPOSED APATHY.

4. REGARDING PROSPECTS FOR COSTA RICA'S LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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RATIFICATION OF THE SAN JOSE PROTOCOL (REFTEL) SOLANO'S OFFICE TOLD THE EMBASSY THAT PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE WITH THE ASSEMBLY AND PROSPECTS ARE THAT THE PROTOCOL WILL BE RATIFIED BY FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9. THERE IS NO APPARENT CONNECTION BETWEEN THE KOGAN/SOLANO STATEMENTS AND THE DIFFICULTIES IN SECURING PASSAGE OF THE PROTOCOL.
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